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-- USES MEETING, PARIS, JUNE 25, 1975

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I. INFORMATION ON THE CCMS GEOTHERMAL PILOT STUDY NON-ELECTRICAL USES PROJECT FOLLOWS. GOVTS NOT ABLE TO ATTEND MEETING NEVERTHELESS PLEASE NOTE PARA 5 ANJ DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS.

-- 1. MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR PARIS ON JUNE 25, 1975, 0900, AT THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, AVENUE KLEBER BUILDING, ROOM 35. (NOT AT MAISON DE LA RADIO)

-- 2. AGENDA FOLLOWS:

-- 0900 REVIEW OF STATUS OF CCMS GPS NON-ELECTRICAL PROJECT REPORT.
-- 1015 DISCUSSION OF UNRESOLVED TECHNICAL, INSTITUTIONAL, AND ECONOMIC PROBLEMS OF NON-ELECTRICAL APPLICATIONS.
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-- 1400 DISCUSSION OF DRAFT STATEMENT OF GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS.

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-- 1500 CONSIDERATION OF PROJECTS FOR FUTURE WORK AND DISCUSSIONS OF CONTENT OF LAST CHAPTER OF REPORT.

-- 3. SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE ACTIVITIES OF THE NON-ELECTRICAL PROJECT WILL BE DISCUSSED. IT IS EXPECTED THAT ONE OR POSSIBLY MORE PROJECTS FOR FUTURE WORK THAT WILL INVOLVE EQUIPMENT INSTRUMENTATION AND CONSTRUCTION WILL BE RECOMMENDED. IF DELEGATES HAVE A PROJECT FOR CONSIDERATION, APPRECIATE THEIR BEING PREPARED TO PRESENT IT.

-- 4. MEETING SHOULD COVER ALL MATERIAL ON WHICH CHAPTER 5 OF REPORT WILL BE BASED. IF AGREEABLE, HOWARD WILL WRITE THIS CHAPTER BASED ON DISCUSSIONS AT MEETING.

--5. DRAFT OF GENERAL STATEMENT OF RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWS FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION PRIOR TO MEETING. IF YOU OR ALTERNATE CANNOT ATTEND, YOUR TRANSMITTED COMMENTS CAN
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BE READ FOR YOU AT MEETING.

II. DRAFT STATEMENT OF GENERAL RECOMMENDATION. PARTICIPANTS IN THE NON-ELECTRICAL PROJECT OF THE CCMS GEOTHERMAL PILOT STUDY RECOMMEND THAT THEIR GOVERNMENTS SUPPORT CONSTRUCTIVE EFFORTS IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

-- 1. DEMONSTRATION OF APPLICATIONS. THE DEMONSTRATION OF NEW APPLICATIONS, EVEN IF SEEMINGLY TECHNOLOG-

ICALLY SIMPLE, SHOULD BE CARRIED OUT UNDER INSTRUMENTALLY MONITORED CONDITIONS.

-- 2. RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT OF NEW APPLICATIONS. THE EVALUATION OF EXPERIMENTAL, UNTESTED IDEAS FOR THE APPLICATION OF GEOTHERMAL RESOURCES TO NON-ELECTRICAL APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE SUPPORTED BEYOND CONCEPTUAL ANALYSIS THROUGH AT LEAST A PHASE OF SMALL SCALE EXPERIMENTS. EXAMPLES OF SUCH APPLICATIONS INCLUDE THE DEVELOPMENT OF ALUMINUM HEAT EXCHANGERS, PROTEIN FARMING, FREEZING OF PRODUCE, ETC.

-- 3. GEOLOGICAL RESEARCH. EFFORTS AT DEFINITION OF THE GEOLOGY OF SPECIFIC RESOURCES AT A LEVEL OF DETAIL NECESSARY FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUCCESSFUL EXPLOITATION FOR NON-ELECTRICAL USES SHOULD BE SUPPORTED.

-- 4. FINANCING. SUPPORT BY GOVERNMENT ENTITIES OF FINANCING THAT IS FAVORABLE TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF GEOTHERMAL RESOURCES FOR NON-ELECTRICAL PURPOSES IS NEEDED. SUCH SUPPORT MIGHT INCLUDE GUARANTEES OF LOANS AND INTEREST RATES AND VARIOUS FORMS OF GOVERNMENTAL

FINANCIAL PARTICIPATION IN RELATIVELY HIGH RISK, FIRST-OF-A-KIND DEMONSTRATIONS. FOR THE LATTER, LOANS REPAYABLE ONLY IN THE EVENT OF TECHNICAL AND ECONOMIC SUCCESS MIGHT BE CONSIDERED.

-- 5. INTERFACING ELECTRICAL AND NON-ELECTRICAL APPLICATIONS OF GEOTHERMAL RESOURCES. PROGRAMS TO COMBINE ADVANTAGEOUSLY IN SERIES AND IN PARALLEL ELECTRICAL AND NON-ELECTRICAL APPLICATIONS OF THE SAME GEOLOGICAL RESOURCE SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED.

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-- 6. EDUCATIONAL AND INFORMATIONAL ASPECTS. THE EXCHANGES OF INFORMATION RELATIVE TO NON-ELECTRICAL USES SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED BY A VARIETY OF MEANS. THESE INCLUDE: PUBLICATIONS, SYMPOSIA, WORKSHOPS INTENDED TO PROVIDE AN IN DEPTH REVIEW OF NEW DEVELOPING PROJECTS, PROGRAMS OF EXCHANGE OF ESTABLISHED SCIENTIFIC AND ACADEMIC PERSONNEL AND STUDENTS, AND PUBLIC INFORMATION SERVICES DIRECTED AT PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE AN INTEREST IN NON-ELECTRICAL APPLICATIONS OF GEOTHERMAL RESOURCES.

-- 7. IMPROVEMENTS OF LEGAL FRAMEWORK. NON-ELECTRICAL APPLICATIONS OF GEOTHERMAL RESOURCES ARE AFFECTED BY EXISTING LAWS. REASONABLE CHANGES IN LAWS, THAT IS, CHANGES THAT ARE NOT IN VIOLATION OF THE SPIRIT OF FAIR PLAY, SHOULD

BE ADVOCATED SO AS TO ENHANCE THE GROWTH OF NON-ELECTRICAL
APPLICATIONS. EXAMPLES INCLUDE REPEAL OF AD VALOREM
TAXES ON IDENTIFIED RESOURCES AND SPECIAL TAX TREATMENT
WHICH RECOGNIZES THE HIGH RISKS INVOLVED WITH NEW
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